MH Home Modification and Upgrades to Retain Housing FY2008 Request: \$250,000 Reference No: 33671

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Renovation and Remodeling

Category: Health/Human Services

Location: Statewide **Contact:** Janet Clarke

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2012

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project provides housing modification funds for people with special needs. This project increases the accessibility of current housing so that Trust beneficiaries and other special needs populations can move into or remain in their own homes.

Funding:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012 F	Y2013	Total
GF/MH MHTAAR	\$250,000	\$300,000 \$300,000	\$300,000 \$300,000				\$600,000 \$850,000
Total:	\$250,000	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,450,000
☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new					☐ Phased - underway	☑ On-	-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required			☐ Amendme	ent	Mental Health Bill		
Operating & Maintenance Costs:					<u>Amount</u>		<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:				0		0	
Ongoing Operating:				0		0	
One-Time Startup:				0			
Totals:				0		0	

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

34/06/13/20 \$200.0MHTAAR 5/05/13/28 \$100 GE/MH \$200 0

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157/04/11/16 \$300.0 MHTAAR

84/03/P11/L8 \$300.0 MHTAAR

C95/02/13/6 \$150.0 MHTAAR

CH62/SLA01/P9/L30 \$100.0 AHFC Div \$150.0 MHTAAR

CH134/SLA00/P11/L3 \$100.0 AHFC \$150.0 MHTAAR

CH85/SLA99/P9/L12 \$150.0 GF/MH \$250.0 AHFC Receipts

Prior to SLA99, a portion of Special Needs Housing funds was used for this purpose. Funds allocated:

CH138/SLA98/P14/L19 \$500.0

CH99/SLA97/P13/L36 \$292.1; CH118/SLA96/P10/L10 \$373.9; CH118/SLA96/P10/L10 \$200.4.

Project Description/Justification:

This capital project provides housing modifications to persons experiencing a disability, allowing them to remain in their homes and potentially reducing the cost of providing supported housing. This project increases the accessibility of current housing so that Trust beneficiaries and other special needs populations can move into or remain in their own homes. Home modifications are available to people wherever they reside, regardless of whether they own or rent and with whom they live. Typical kinds of assistance provided are accessibility modifications or additions (e.g., widening doorways, remodeling bathrooms or kitchens, installing entrance ramps, adding bathrooms or bedrooms) and related equipment.

Grantees will coordinate their efforts with the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) weatherization program and similar tribal and municipal programs to supply essential repairs or upgrades to building structures (e.g., heating, plumbing, and/or electrical systems, roofs, weatherproofing, energy efficiency improvements). Funds will not be available to duplicate

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down payment, mortgage buy-down, or building repair and weatherization programs currently operated by AHFC. This program is supported in the Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Plan, *Moving Forward*.

The Department's mission is: *To promote and protect the health and well being of Alaskans*. This project supports the Department's mission by supporting independent living and assisting individuals to remain in the comfort of their own home for a longer period of time, thus reducing the need for costly institutionalization.

The end result to which this project contributes is "Improve and enhance the quality of life for Alaskans with serious behavioral health problems."